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[Despatch Abstract.]

CINEMATOGRAPH ACT

Visit of Cinema houses - inspection of films - certain queries of District Magistrate, South Kanara - answered.

LAW (General) DEPARTMENT. C.F. 30—10,000—7-8-26.

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Ref No. 7345-C—927.

Station Mangalore, , Dated the 7th September 27. 192 .

From (Name) E. M. Gawne, Esq, I.C.S.,

(Designation) Dt. Magistrate,
South Kanara.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Law (General) Department.
Madras.

Sir,

(F) In G. O. No. 582 Law (General) dated 20th February 1924 District Magistrates have been requested to exercise greater vigilance in the matter of the exhibition objection-able films. The Government also from time to time communicate to District Magistrates the titles of films which are held to be uncertified. I request to be informed whether

(1) in view of the order that District Magistrates should watch the programmes of cinema exhibitions, the proprietors of those cinemas can be required to intimate the changes

(2) of programme to the District Magistrate. It is probable that the Accountant General would object if expenditure was incurred under contingencies for visiting cinemas

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Law (General) Department.

C.No. 478 B. From the D.M.South Kanara, Rf.No. 7345 C-27, dated 7th September 1927.

Subject : -Cinematograph Act - uncertified films.

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Please see the D.M.'s letter on pages 1 and 2 c.f.

(F) 2.In G.O.No. 582 L.G. dated 20-2-24 the Commr. of Police Madras and the District Magistrate were requested to exercise greater vigilance in the matter of exhibition of objectionable films and suspend the certificates of any film which they might consider objectionable and report the matter to Government for orders.

3.The D.M.S.Kanara enquires with reference to the above orders : -

(i) whether the proprietor of Cinema can be required to intimate the changes of programme to the D.M.

(ii) whether A.G. would object to any expenditure incurred in visiting cinemas under contingencies.

4. Attention is solicited to rule 36 and condition 3 of Licence Form A. It will be seen that under the powers defined therein, the D.M. can call on the proprietors of Cinemas within his jurisdiction to intimate the changes of programme to him. In the City the Manager of each cinema sends a copy of the programme to the Commr.of Police.

As regards the other question, namely, the incurring of expenditure under contingencies for visiting cinemas, it is not clear why any expenditure should be entailed. Under the same rule quoted above a D.M. may depute any police officer to see whether a particular film was previously certified or not. And in the former case to witness the film and report whether it is objectionable. Such practice is prevalent in the City. If this is done no extra expenditure will be incurred.

For orders whether the D.M. may be informed

the above lines.

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19.9.27

DH
19-9-27

As regards (i) the Office note is correct.
As regards (ii) the point taken by the
D.H. is that the A.S. will object to a claim
by a Dtr. for a cinema ticket.
The condition in the licence has
always existed and presumably
the Dtr. thinks that may not be enough.
There is, however, no need to press
this point and the Dtr.'s attention
may be drawn to that condition. 20.9.27

DH 20/9/27

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If it is duly done a Dtr.
to inspect the camps in force for the
inspection. Can't the ? It is unlikely that any
Officer could be suspected of taking a free Cinema
ticket. when he goes on duty. 20.9.27.

X

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A draft order is submitted.

2 It is presumed that no
reply is necessary with regard to the
Secy's remarks at X above.

JD
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(H.S. Pass on draft)

DH
21-9-27.

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In his letter Ref.No.7345 C -27, dated 7th September 1927, the District Magistrate, South Kanara raises with reference to paragraph 2 of G.O. No. 582 Law(General) dated 20th February 1924 the following points : --

(i) whether the proprietor of a cinema can be required to intimate the changes of programme to the D.M. and

(ii) whether the A.G. would object to any expenditure incurred in visiting cinemas under contingencies.

2. Point (i). The attention of the D.M. is drawn to rule 36 of the rules under the Cinematograph Act, 1918 under which he can call on proprietors of cinemas within his jurisdiction to intimate to him in time changes of programme.

Point (ii): The attention of the D.M. is drawn to condition 3 of Licence

Form A attached to the rules under the Cinematograph Act.

To the D.M.South Kanara.